# NINDS Neuroscience Development for Advancing the Careers of a Diverse Research Workforce (R25 Programs)



#### **Broadening the Representation** of Academic Investigators in NeuroSciences (BRAINS)

is a national program to accelerate and improve the career advancement of neuroscience postdoctoral researchers and assistant professors from underrepresented groups. The program offers two participant pathways: BRAINS Fellows and BRAINS Affiliates. Participants will gain a stronger sense of career self-efficacy and community through professional development events, peer networks, and mentoring relationship over a two-year period.

**Program Headquarters:** University of Washington

Website: depts.washington.edu/brains

Contact: brains@uw.edu



#### The Congruent Mentorship to Reach Academic Diversity in Neuroscience Research (COMRADE)

is a Summer Institute that convenes at NYU Langone Health to provide diverse postdocs with mentored learning opportunities develop successful academic careers. It begins with a two-week didactic training, followed by one-week summer training sessions in grant writing, focused on NIH proposal completion and submission. The two summer institutes are interspersed by a mid-year meeting at the Society for Neuroscience Conference and monthly webinars to discuss emerging issues proposal development. during During COMRADE academic year, mentees receive mentorship individualized academic by assigned mentors and coaching by the Program Directors.

**Program Headquarters:** New York University

Website: med.nyu.edu/pophealth/divisions/chbc/training/congruentmentorship-reach-academic-diversity-neuroscience-research

**Contact:** Debbie Chung, 646-501-2601



#### The **Health Disparities in Neuroscience-related Disorders** (HDND) MS Program at Wake

Forest University provides a solid foundation in Neuroscience, Epidemiology and Biostatistics training and hands-on, practical research projects for students interested in careers in health disparities research.

**Program Headquarters:** Wake Forest University Website: neurohealthdisparity.ms.graduate.wfu.edu Contact: Carol Milligan, PhD and Alain Bertoni, MD

### UNIVERSITY of **FLORIDA**

## The Mentoring Institute for **Neuroscience Diversity Scholars**

(MINDS) Early Career Institute in

Neuroscience promotes the advancement of junior faculty members in the neurosciences at research universities. Each participant is invited to complete a one-year educational program consisting of workshops, mentored attendance at professional scientific meetings, assistance in the expansion of their network, and a listsery to promote communication among the participants.

Program Headquarters: University of Pittsburgh / University of Florida

Website: eci.pitt.edu

Contact: Tracy Baust, eci@pitt.edu



#### The Neuroscience Scholars

NEUROSČIENCE Program (NSP) is an extensive two-year training program open

to underrepresented and diverse neuroscience graduate students and postdoctoral fellows. NSP offers live events, webinars, a library of educational resources, and an online community for seeking career connections and guidance. All eligible applicants will be invited to become NSP Associates. Up to fifteen candidates will be selected as NSP Fellows and gain additional benefits, including access to a mentoring team, complimentary registration and travel to the Society for Neuroscience annual meeting, and an annual award of \$1,500 to support allowed professional development activities.

Program Headquarters: Society for Neuroscience

Website: www.sfn.org/nsp Contact: nsp@sfn.org





The **UAB Neuroscience Roadmap Scholars Program** provides a focused and individualized path for underrepresented graduate students

with interest in a graduate career in neuroscience at University of Alabama Birmingham. The program aims to provide an in-depth guidance and support system focused on assisting students throughout their graduate career. It also hosts the Annual National Enhancement of Under Represented Academic Leaders (NEURAL) Conference designed to provide a scientific platform for underrepresented trainees in the neurosciences to meet. Travel awards to the NEURAL Conference are available to qualifying students.

**Program Headquarters:** University of Alabama at Birmingham

Website: www.uab.edu/medicine/rms Contact: Jamie White, jcarleen@uab.edu



AMERICAN ACADEMY OF The Training in Research for NEUROLOGY. Academic Neurologists to Sustain Careers and Enhance the Numbers of Diverse Scholars

(TRANSCENDS) program is designed to train promising early-career neurologists to conduct high-quality neurologic research and achieve a successful academic career. Participants will receive: a master of science degree in clinical research or a certificate in clinical research; mentoring and support in the development of their current research portfolio; and assistance with preparation, and submission of K-type grant application.

Program Headquarters: Medical University of South Carolina Website: www.aan.com/research-and-awards/transcends-scholar-

program-application

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Please visit the NINDS Resource page for NIH's Diversity definition and other funding opportunities: https://www.ninds.nih.gov/About-NINDS/ Workforce-Diversity/Diversity-Resources

